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Roman Catholic Diocese Mourns Death of Rev. James Slattery

Was founding pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace Parish

Rev. James F. Slattery, a priest of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Rochester for nearly 64 years, died Wednesday, May 11, at the age of 89. Father Slattery had been residing at the Sisters of St. Joseph Motherhouse, in Pittsford.

Born December 3, 1915 in Rochester, Father Slattery completed his theological studies at St. Bernard's Seminary. He was ordained to the priesthood June 7, 1941 and two weeks later was named Assistant Pastor at Our Lady of Lourdes, Rochester. After serving nine years at Our Lady of Lourdes, Father Slattery was assigned as Assistant Pastor of St. Ignatius, Hornell. In 1953, he moved to Corning as he was assigned as Assistant Pastor of St. Vincent DePaul Church.

In June 1960, Father Slattery was named the founding pastor of Our Lady Queen of Peace parish, in Brighton. He served in that role for 26 years, until his retirement in 1986.

Father will lie in state from 4-6:30 p.m. on Friday, May 13 at Our Lady Queen of Peace Church, 601 Edgewood Ave, Brighton. Evening prayer will follow at 7:00 p.m.

On Saturday, May 14, Father will lie in state from 9-10 a.m. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated at 10:00 a.m. at Our Lady Queen of Peace, with Bishop Matthew H. Clark presiding.

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